

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Raymond et al.	)	Examiner: Nicholas W. Woodall
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Application Serial No.: 10/813,819	)	Art Unit 3733
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Filed: March 31, 2004	)	Confirmation No. 5056
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TISSUE DISTRACTION DEVICE	)	April 24, 2007

**AMENDMENT AFTER FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P. O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following in response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2007. This response is being filed within the three-month period for response (to and including April 25, 2007), so no fees are believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is requested to provide any extension of time that may be necessary and to deduct any associated fees from Deposit Account 13-0014.